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O come, all ye faithful,
Joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye
To Bethlehem;
Come and behold him
Born the King of angels;
O come let us adore Him,
O come let us adore Him,
O come let us adore Him,
Christ, the Lord.

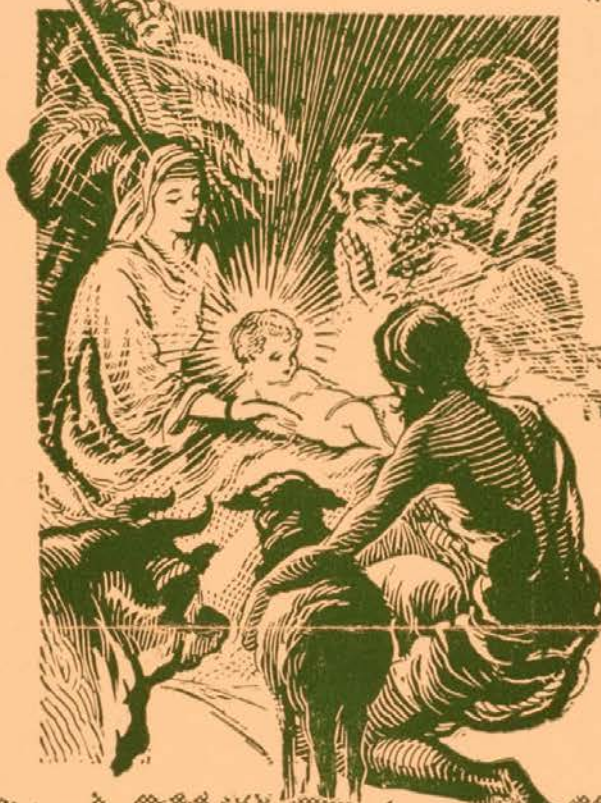
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Joy to the world the Lord
is come;
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare him
room,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing
And heaven and nature sing.

* * *

Hark, the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King;
Peace on earth and mercy
mild;
God and sinners reconciled."
Joyful, all ye nations rise,
Join the triumph of the skies;
With angelic hosts proclaim,
'Christ is born in Bethlehem.'

Peace On Earth



Good Will Toward Men

It came upon the midnight clear,
That glorious song of old,
From angels bending near the earth,
To touch their harps of gold:
"Peace on the earth, goodwill to men,
From heaven's all-gracious King:"
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing.

Silent night! Holy night!
All is calm, all is bright
'Round yon virgin mother
and Child!
Holy Infant, so tender and
mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.

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Stille Nacht, heilige Nacht!
Alles schlaft, einsam wacht
Nur das traute, hochheilige
Paar,
Holder Knabe inlockigen
Haar,
Schlaf' in himmlischer Ruh'
Schlaf' in himmlischer Ruh'

* * *

O little town of Bethlehem,
How still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dream-
less sleep
The silent stars go by;
Yet in thy dark streets
shineth
The everlasting light;
The hopes and fears of all
the years
Are met in thee tonight.



Intramural Rumors

SENIOR CLASS. The potpourri of the Senior Class . . . After much searching and exclamations . . . the very quiet Senior Class makes its first appearance in the Axone . . .

The Gold Rush Train to the West has five passengers aboard. Three are to be deposited in the fair city of Detroit, one to be deposited at Denver, one to ride the rails as far as Dallas. Guess who? Answer in next issue.

The past year has been a year of happiness and, with happiness goes sorrow . . .

Irwin Kline became engaged to Alma Werner . . . a nurse at Jewish Hospital. Could it be because of this, that Irv is interested in Pediatrics?

. . . And congratulations to a new arrival, William James Connelly, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Connelly, Oct. 26, 1947 at 9:30 P.M. Is that right, Joe?

And sorrow . . . we saw the passing of the fathers of Weinberg, Welkowitz and very recently the death of Dr. Frank Zindel. The Senior Class's deepest sympathies are extended.

We are looking forward to a year of happiness and . . . June 5, 1948. Amen.

Best of holiday wishes to all! **MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

SOPHOMORE CLASS. Haggard looks and tired eyes were common among us for the past three weeks, but the pressure seems to be off now and the future looks bright . . . at least until after Xmas? Finals are just around the corner, and instead of planning to "bone up" over the holidays, as we did last year, a few ideas have been offered in an effort to raise money for the class treasury. The advocates of the following suggestions prefer anonymity, but I'm sure no offense was meant:—

Johnston playing Santa Claus at 13th and Market Streets, with a bell in one hand and the other in the "kitty" . . .

Brownstein shovelling snow from the sidewalks in front of City Hall . . .

Elliot pushing a plow in the wilds of Ohio—with no hands yet! . . .

Murray selling cartoons to the local press . . .

Connor recording blood pressures on rabbits, direct method, on the Boardwalk in Atlantic City.

Hiesel, Purdy and Delitsch organizing "Babysitters, Inc." with Jay Adams, President . . .

Latkovic — lecturing on "How To Raise A Family" . . . Edelman, first assistant!

Ray "The Rascal" Klavinsky, distributing pamphlets on the complications of fractured zygomas . . .

J. Vermis McCabe demonstrating his manipulative technique for athlete's foot . . .

Rothmeyer heading a posse in search of Chassignac's tubercle! . . .

Guess Who . . . performing gastric lavage on needy individuals after New Year's Eve . . .

What about this intended dance and variety show next semester? Are you giving it some thought?

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL! Here's to no Saturday classes next term — we hope!!!

FRESHMAN CLASS. The Welcoming Banquet to our Class on November 17 was one of those occasions of which it may be sincerely stated, "A good time was had by all." Our thanks to Dean Dressler and all who made this treat possible. The Dean lived up to his reputation as a man of good judgment, not only in things medical and philosophical, but also in his evaluation of good cuisine. The snapper soup was all he predicted it would be—and more!

Al Honig, one of the Freshmen who deserve mention is a nephew of two Osteopathic physicians; one practicing in Bayonne, and another in Palisades, N. J. He attended Penn State, graduating in 1946 with a B. A. degree in Chemistry. Another is Irv Axelrod, a native Philadelphian who attended Temple University for three and one-half years.

A certain Freshman from Allentown, Pa., is on the eve of fatherhood. True to the tradition he is beginning to show evidences of the strain of childbirth. We are certain he will pull through it alright — and the mother too!

Phil Mouer of Waynesboro, Pa., has been appointed Freshman representative in the ITS fraternity. Irv Angert is active as a member of the Hillel Foundation.

The Freshman Class wishes all **A MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

Folks We Know at P. C. O.



Dean Dressler receives Loan Fund Stamps from Miriam Weinberg, '48

According to word just received from Dr. Floyd F. Peckham, Chairman of the Student Loan Fund of the American Osteopathic Association, one hundred and sixty-six worthy students in our six Osteopathic Colleges have been aided by the Fund. Over a sixteen year period, \$50,000 has been distributed on a loan basis to deserving individuals from a total sum of \$83,000. Dr. Peckham says that to date every trust has been warranted — every loan has been repaid after the student has become a physician and gone into practice. An appeal is being made again at this Christmastide for your support of this worthwhile project. Contributions large or small may be made to your College representatives or direct to the Fund Secretary at 139 N. Clark Street, Chicago 2, Illinois. At the present time these funds are available to upperclassmen in all of the Osteopathic Colleges who meet certain reasonable requirements. Your best friend may be an applicant next time. Make your giving fit the cause . . . **NOW!**



"Let George do it!" — a familiar phrase a few years ago is being echoed in the halls of FCO. He attended public schools in Mt. Pleasant, Pa., has a B.S. degree from Gettysburg College, and is now Chairman of the Senior Class. Not yet? Well, his favorite radio program is "The Hour of Charm!" He is the only individual in the Osteopathic Colleges to collect sea-shells as a hobby. He is on the Finance Committee of PCO Student Council. Now you must know: it's George E. Lamb. Sorry girls, he's married!

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 difficult."

—Hippocrates, 430 B.C.

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A CHRISTMAS WISH

By JIM

It isn't that there aren't a good many "Old Scrooges and
 Tiny Tims" around today; the world is full of the same
 characters and maybe even some that are better.

There are people who can write poetry that makes good
 reading; for example:

"Twas the night before Christmas
 And all through the house
 Not a creature was stirring
 Not even a mouse.

The stockings were hung
 By the chimney with care
 In hopes that Saint Nicholas
 Soon would be there . . ."

I might change that, and make it read:

"Twas the night before finals
 And all through the house
 All the students were studying
 Especially the Frosh!

The 'Cribs' were prepared
 With infinite care
 With hopes that in ONE
 All night stand
 A whole term's work
 Might somehow be crammed!"

Obviously that isn't any good — so that knocks out my
 chances to succeed as a poet. People will read poems like the
 first example because they want to. But the last . . . Nobody
 would read unless they were tricked into it like you were.

At Christmas time we all sing beautiful songs: "Silent
 Night," "Little Town of Bethlehem," and "Away In The Man-
 ger." It took brilliant composers to do these songs; so it's next
 to impossible for me to contribute new songs. I can't even sing.

The only thing I learned in Kindergarten which comes
 to me off-hand is:

"The clavicle is a long bone, and when viewed from above
 presents a double curvature, so that it somewhat resembles in
 shape the italic letter *f*, with a medial 2/3rds and a later-
 al 1/3rd."

That sounds more like the first anatomy assignment than
 like prose or poetry pertaining to the Christmas season.
 Better let the kids in Kindergarten take care of that depart-
 ment.

So what's the use! With guys like Dickens, the musicians

P.O.H. Nurses' News

By RUTH McKAY

A big Christmas Party will
 be held on Monday, the 22nd
 at 8:30 in the College Audi-
 torium. The student nurses
 are providing an interesting
 program. They hope to initiate
 the juke-box donated by the
 father of one of the College
 students, Mr. Strauser. Lab-
 oratory, office personnel, resi-
 dents, nurses and staff are
 invited. Admission will be a
 25c gift. Santa Claus will be
 there. We understand Miss
 Gilmore, our Dietician, has a
 delightful surprise for us.

LET'S ALL GO!!!

Our student nurse chorus of
 30 voices will participate in
 the annual Christmas exercise
 of the Phila. College of Osteo-
 pathy to be held in the College
 auditorium, Friday evening,
 December 19th.

Miss Peeler met with the
 Union County Women's Osteo-
 pathic Auxiliary in Elizabeth,
 N. J. on December 8th. This
 auxiliary has for a long time
 contributed the filled stockings
 for the nursery, and gifts for
 the Pediatric Department.

The Annual banquet for
 members of the Alumnae As-
 sociation will be held April
 7th, the first Wednesday after
 Easter, at McAllisters, 1811
 Spring Garden St. Don't for-
 get!!!

The by-laws of the Alumnae
 Association have been revised
 and copies will be sent to each
 member upon payment of an-
 nual dues for 1948. My, those
 dues again!!!

"By special delivery:" To
 Norma Hepford Miller '45, an
 8 lbs. 9 oz., daughter Sally
 Anne, on Nov. 26th. To
 Katherine Johnson Edwards,
 '42, a baby boy, Jeffrey How-
 ard, November 15. To Thelma
 Fyock McKee, '37, a daughter,
 Nancy Anne, November 5th.
 Mrs. McKee is now living at
 2010 Rollins Ave., Cheyenne,
 Wyoming.

We were glad to see Hilda
 Gender Halbrooke, '42, Edith
 Wescott Davis, '38, Lillian
 Rubinkam Detweiler, '43, and
 Mrs. Elsie Weisel Gillender.
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EDITOR'S COLUMN

Lest we forget — and who
 doesn't! There are those
 among us who view the
 Christmas season as another
 calendar event. This is not
 to be wondered at in the
 presence of radio programs,
 department stores, and news-
 paper headings, advertising
 the Event. It therefore will not
 be amiss to urge our readers at
 this season to pierce with their
 mind's eye the gilded gift
 wrappings, and see in their
 contents the Adoration of the
 Magi; to search beneath the
 Tree's tinsel and see there a
 devotion to the Deity; and
 what we cannot conjure up
 for them: their memories of
 those first Christmas morn-
 ings when they did recall that
 the observance of Christmas
 Day was the commemoration
 of the Nativity. Christmas is
 still the Anniversary of the
 Birth of the Christchild. Kris
 Kringle still is the spirit of
 Him of whom it was said,
 "and they wrapped Him in
 swaddling clothes and laid
 Him in a manger." "Peace
 on earth, good will toward
 men" is still the theme of the
 Christmastide.

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The Editor wishes you all a
 joyous Christmas, and makes
 this his Christmas wish: That
 there may be more Brother-
 hoods on the campus of our
 profession who will follow the
 lead of the one giving the
 party for the Clinic kids!

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(courtesy of Petrillo), and the Kindergarten children stealing
 my "stuff", how can I get ahead? There is one thing I can
 do though, and that is to wish a sincere . . .

"MERRY CHRISTMAS to ALL — and to ALL a GOOD
 NIGHT!"

FRATERNITIES

ATLAS CLUB. At the recent meeting of the Styloid Chapter plans were perfected to induct several upper - classmen who pledged the Atlas Club this year. Initiation was held on Wednesday evening, December 17, 1947. Freshmen Pledges will be voted upon and introduced to the ceremonies of the Brotherhood in February, 1948.

A regular educational program followed the initiation on Wednesday night.

A Christmas party will be tendered on Friday evening, December 19, following the College Christmas exercises. The group will be entertained at the home of Henry A. D'Alonzo in Philadelphia.

The Atlas Club wishes you all A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

IOTA TAU SIGMA. A fraternity get together of the new pledges from the Freshmen class was held Friday evening, December 5th, at 4532 Spruce Street. A total of sixteen pledges were added to ITS from the Class of '51. They include Tom Allen, S. Portland, Maine; Richard Cain, Detroit, Michigan; Don Clark, Newton, Sq., Pa.; Tom Easton, Phila., Pa.; Russ Ervin, Lancaster, Pa.; John Frank, York, Pa.; Bob Hunt, Hatfield, Pa.; Larry Kellam, Binghamton, N. Y.; Brendan Lee, Upper Darby, Pa.; Jay Miller, York, Pa.; Phil Mouer, Waynesboro, Pa.; Jim Norton, Fort Lauderdale, Florida; Jim Riviello, Camden, N. J.; Dave Stinger, Phila., Pa.; Walt Underwood, Verona, N. J.; and Bob Weldon, Phila., Pa.

PHI SIGMA GAMMA. Zeta Chapter will hold its annual Christmas Party this Saturday evening. Preceding the dancing and refreshments, a special feature will be a Santa Claus Party for fifteen children who are registered with the Outpatient Clinic of the Hospital. Refreshments,

and gifts in the form of toys and candy will be given by Saint Nicholas himself (guess who?) The children will be called for and returned to their homes by members of the fraternity. For the occasion, the house will be gaily decorated in the colorful Yuletide spirit with wreaths, holly, and a tree, and of course—mistletoe.

We were privileged to hear Abraham Thaler at our recent Educational Meeting. His topic was "Hypnotism—Its Theory and Therapeutical Applications." Mr. Thaler, a member of the Sophomore class, demonstrated some forms of hypnotism.

We wish to thank all those at P.C.O., faculty and students alike who helped to make the recent raffle a success. William Musick of the sophomore class was the lucky winner. The drawing was held November 22.

LAMBDA OMICRON GAMMA. The series of professional lectures, which is a feature of the L.O.G. educational program, was highlighted on Tuesday evening, November 9th, by an informative talk on abnormal psychiatric behavior. The guest speaker was Dr. Cecil Harris, of the Neuropsychiatric Staff. Dr. Harris's talk was well received and there was a large turnout. At the close of the meeting there was a spirited discussion on the subject of Dr. Harris's talk. The audience participation in a post-lecture questioning form was informative and all derived a great deal of knowledge from the discussion.

These forums, a feature of our professional activities committee for the past two years have proven to be both interesting and worth-while. Lectures are open to all P.C.O. students and it is urged that members of the student body with their wives and friends take advantage of the scheduled lectures.

On November 28th the L.O.G. fraternity house received a sun-

lamp. Since then it has been put to much use, and our pale-face classrooms are being spotted by a few helathy tans.

The chapter would like to extend its best wishes for a happy and joyous holiday season to all of its friends.

HILLEL FOUNDATION: We take this opportunity to introduce ourselves. The Hillel Foundation of P.C.O. is another social and religious link in brotherhoods connecting 167 Hillel Foundations throughout the U. S. A., Canada and Cuba. This is the twenty-fourth year of service by the B'nai Brith Hillel Foundations which had their origins in 1923 at the University of Illinois.

P.C.O. Hillel Foundation will act as a nucleus for the extra-curricular religious and social activities of its members and in conjunction with our College will aid in the training of socially responsible Osteopathic physicians. Our Foundation House is located on the University of Pennsylvania Campus, 202 S. 36th Street. Plans have been initiated to build a house of our own closer to the College.

After a number of organizational meetings, a luncheon was held at the Lambda Omicron Gamma House on Tuesday, Nov. 18th. Success for this and other meetings is due to the efforts of Drs. Lester Eisenberg, Victor Fisher, Philip Lessig, Arnold Melnick and Morton Terry. Refreshments which added another measure of success to this meeting were served by Mrs. Stanley Dorman, Mrs. Victor Fisher, Mrs. Herman Kohn and Mrs. Otto Kurshner.

Our most recent meeting was held Sunday evening December 7th. Following this a social was held sponsored by our group for all of the Philadelphia Hillel Foundations.

Future meetings will find discussion groups drawn from the College faculty, the Osteopathic profession and prominent laymen all of whom will stimulate us professionally and socially. Our planning committee, headed by Joseph Chaiken, has in mind a variety of social activities.

Elected to executive offices

within our organization were: President and Senior Executive member, Irwin Kline, Secretary-Treasurer and Junior Executive Member, Leonard Wallner, Sophomore Executive Member, William Fisher, and Freshman Executive Member, Irwin J. Angert. Counseling and guidance will be under the direction of Rabbi Joseph S. Nissel.

P.O.H. Nurses' News

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'36, recent visitors. Jean Nolt, '43 has returned and is now assistant supervisor on Osteopathic floor.

Mrs. Anna Falkenstrom Adams, 1928, passed away on Nov. 18, 1947. We all feel a great loss in the sudden death of Dr. Frank Zindel.

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Seeing that the nurses "Witches Ball" was a great success, the members of the student body have decided to hold an informal dance monthly, beginning in January, 1948. Posters will be placed in every hospital department and in the clinic announcing the date of each occasion. These dances are open to anyone wishing to attend them.

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